

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-18 and 22-29 are pending in the instant application and have been have been examined.

Drawings

2. New corrected drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in this application because the drawings are all replete with lettering, numbering, and figures that are hand-drawn and non-compliant. Applicant is advised to employ the services of a competent patent draftsperson outside the Office, as the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office no longer prepares new drawings. The corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. The requirement for corrected drawings will not be held in abeyance.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert Madayag on March 26, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 14 is amended as follows:

14. The method of claim 1, wherein said step of encrypting includes a step of encrypting said an indicia of buffer behavior.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1-18, 22-29 and are allowed.

5. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: The closest prior art in the field does not teach the combination of features of the applicants claimed invention as set forth in the independent claims, particularly including:

As per claims 1 and 24, generation of an information stream by use an index that relates a first sequence and a second sequence of segmented, compressed image frames, and encrypting the re-sequenced segments and the index to form the stream,

As per claim 23, recovering an information stream by use of a decrypted index that relates a first and second decrypted and decompressed sequence image frames to form the recovered stream.

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Paul E. Callahan whose telephone number is (571) 272-3869. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 9 to 5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Emmanuel Moise, can be reached on (571) 272-3865. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is: (571) 273-8300.

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